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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Jack M. Erick

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For:

COLLISION AVOIDANCE USING GPS DEVICE AND TRAIN

PROXIMITY DETECTOR

Assistant Commissioner

for Patents

Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Washington, DC 20231 on

(Date of Signature)

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated September 8, 2000, please amend the application in the following manner.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the following claim and add the following new claim:

11. (Amended) A train collision avoidance system, comprising:

a first detector for detecting a geographical location of a vehicle, not a

train;

a second detector for detecting a proximity of a train near the vehicle;

a direction sensing device for providing data indicating a heading of the

vehicle;

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